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Attorney's Docket No. 024703-006

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of )  
Shiro KAMIYAMA et al ) Group Art Unit: 1741  
Application No.: 08/174,957 ) Examiner: William T. Leader  
Filed: December 28, 1993 ) Confirmation No.: 9165  
For: METHOD FOR SURFACE TREATMENT )  
OF ALUMINUM ALLOY HIGH- )  
TEMPERATURE PROCESSED ARTICLES )

**AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Enclosed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.

- [ ] A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.
- [ ] A Terminal Disclaimer and the [ ] \$55.00 (2814) [ ] \$110.00 (1814) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d) are also enclosed.
- [ ] Also enclosed is/are \_\_\_\_\_.
- [ ] Small entity status is hereby claimed.
- [ ] Applicant(s) request continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the [ ] \$375.00 (2801) [ ] \$750.00 (1801) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).
- [ ] Applicant(s) previously submitted \_\_\_, on \_\_\_, for which continued examination is requested.
- [ ] Applicant(s) request suspension of action by the Office until at least \_\_\_, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.
- [ ] A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (1809/2809) is also enclosed.

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[ ] No additional claim fee is required.

[X] An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

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	No. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST NO. OF CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	ADDT'L FEE
Total Claims	19	MINUS 21 =	0	× \$18.00 (1202) =	0.00
Independent Claims	6	MINUS 5 =	0	× \$84.00 (1201) =	84.00
If Amendment adds multiple dependent claims, add \$280.00 (1203)					
Total Amendment Fee					0.00
If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Amendment Fee					
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT</b>					<b>\$84.00</b>

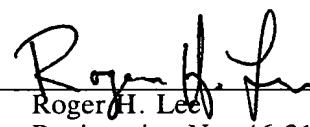
[ ] A claim fee in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.

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In response to the Official Action dated December 17, 2002, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

*Please replace claims 2 and 17 as follows.*

*Ei*  
2. (Amended) A method for treating the surface of an aluminum alloy high-temperature processed article, comprising processing an aluminum alloy containing Mg at a high temperature of 200°C or above to form the alloy into a processed article having a final shape, etching the surface of the processed article with an aqueous solution containing a chelating agent, and then carrying out coating type chromating.

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